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Lawn care workshop

Adam Andrews, of Willow Creek Gardens Nursery & Landscaping, will present a workshop on the proper use of nutrients and weed killers on lawns at 6:30 p.m. Monday at the Abilene Public Library, 202 Cedar St. Admission is free.



Movie at the library

A showing of a PG-rated 2010 film. based on a classic fantasy book will begin at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Abilene Public Library, 202 Cedar St. Admission is free.

Anniversary

The Abilene Community Band will celebrate its 40th anniversary with a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Paramount Theatre, 352 Cypress St. David Bacon will be the emcee. Donations will be accepted for the Christian Service Center.

Art film

A showing of the film "Never Tell Anybody Anything: The Life and Art of Edward Burra" will begin at noon Wednesday at the Center for Contemporary Arts, 220 Cypress St. A discussion will follow.

Ride of Silence

The Ride of Silence bicycle rally, conducted in honor of cyclists who have been killed or injured, will begin at 7 p.m.

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Runnels, Brown county enti acquit selves well at State 4

Runnels County always has heavy representation at the State 4-H Roundup in June and it looks like 2016 will be par for the

At the District 7 Roundup on May 7 in San Angelo, two senior teams advanced with their presentations on entomology (Jon Binder, Cole Cave, Ryan Matscheck and Cole Zentner) and open agriculture and resources (Caitlin Virden and Avery Schniers). Each took first place.

They join teams or individuals who already have qualified in livestock, food, Leaders for Life and pho-

tography.

Several members from Brown County also moved on. In the fashion competition, Hannah Hull won first place in construction/semiformal to formal, while Melia Edmondson and Jessica Dennis took second in storyboard/ wearable and buying, under \$25, respectively.



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Edmondson also took first place in the Share the Fun/choreographed routine. Katie Pantoja of Nolan County also advanced after a second-place finish in the same category.

In public speaking, Luke Carroll of Brown County finished second and also will compete at the state level. And Kade Greaves and Jordan Nall of Coleman County advanced after finishing second with their beef presentation.

The state roundup will take place June 7-9 at Texas A&M University in College

Station.

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lawn mower and all sorts of tools with small engines in your garage and storage shed. These are valuable machines in

our lives, but what happens when they break down?

I don't know of anyone who's going to get excited about coughing up cash to replace expensive equipment, or have it serviced, but your Abilene Public Library may be able to offer you some help.

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the Small Engine Reference Center. Access to this database is free

> with a valid library card. Simply visit us at www.abilenetx.com/apl and click on the "E-Resources" link to the left. Scroll

down to the Do-It-Yourself section and choose the third option and you're ready to get started.

The database offers a definitive collection of guidance for basic engine repair. With instructional materials from more than 470 fulltext reference books, more than 90,000 repairs, on more than 25 years of engine models, this should be a great place to start. Best yet, it's all available to access 24/7 from any computer or mobile device with Internet access.

Using this database is not difficult. Use the streamlined main menu to begin your search. Either enter your search terms using the internal search box provided at the upper left corner, or use the handy menu selections to guide you through your search for your needed type of repair. They're even divided into easy-to-view sections.

For instance, repair information is provided for all-terrain

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vehicles with the fundamentals on the leading brands, including Honda, Kawasaki, Yamaha and more. Or perhaps you have some outdoor equipment that needs a little tuneup. There's a section covering all types of equipment from chain saws to lawn mowers.

Additional instructional materials are provided on generators, diesel engines, motorcycles, tractors, boats, personal watercrafts, and even snowmobiles (not that we have a need for that kind of repair, but you never know).

For every selection you make, you'll be provided with choices to help narrow your selection to find exactly what you need. After doing that, you'll be able to access the PDF version of the instructional guide, complete with illustrations and video content (when available) and you can download them, print them out, email them to yourself or bookmark it for future use.

Finding these resources in their print form might be a challenge, but your Abilene Public Library has made it easy by offering you free access to this great online resource.

For vehicle repairs, we hope you're already aware that we also offer access to the Chilton Online Automotive Repair Manual. This online database has the same information as the printed Chilton's books at main Abilene Public Library, 202 Cedar St., but available 24/7 for your convenience.

So give the Small Engine Reference Center a test drive and see what it has to offer.

And if you have questions, or need help, feel free to call 325-676-6025 and library staff will be more than happy to assist you.

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Tremain Jackson is manager of the South Branch of the Abilene Public Library.

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early service. Thankfulness abounds for thoughtful children and friendship. Saw Kirk and Kristi Thaxton on a Friday evening.

While eating at the Abilene Country Club, John and Kayren Mingus and Miz Cheevus saw Josh and Jeannette Black and her mother, Molly Caldwell Cline, who in 2000 compiled on behalf of herself and her brothers (Clifton and wife Shirley Caldwell; Lee and wife Ruth Caldwell) the book "Mommy, What's for Supper?," which Kayren had just been reading at Miz C's home. This is a book about the recipes used by their mother, Jeannette Tippit Caldwell (father Guy

Caldwell), and those who cooked on the Caldwell ranches.

Birthdays are a double blessing on Mother's Day. Greetings go to Nancy Ellis and Linda Goolsbee (hear her son Austan Goolsbee recently was on television).

Jody Klotz wanted friends to know that she planned to enter several works in the 14th annual Center for the Advancement and Study of Early Texas Art Symposium & Texas Art Fair in Dallas.

The Philharmonic Guild meeting at the Natural Food Center was hosted by owner Beth Seals along with Dottie Preston; Jennifer Shultz; Donna Thorne; Kelly Bliznak; Dana Endsley; Archana Patel; Molly Lee; Charlotte Longley; Jessica Milisaps; and Sherri Statler. Entertainment was

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Wednesday at McMurry University. Ceremonies will begin at 6:40 p.m. Helmets are required, and bright clothing and lights are encouraged. Admission is free.

Book reading

A reading of the children's book "Alexander and the Terrible, Horrible, No Good, Very Bad Day," by Judith Viorst, will begin at 10 a.m. Thursday at The Grace Museum, 102 Cypress St. Registration is \$5 per family, with a limited number of copies of the book available for an additional \$5. To register, go to the gracemuseum.org.

Dog show

The Abilene Kennel Club will conduct its 52nd annual dog show at 9 a.m. Friday and Saturday, and at 8 a.m. Sunday at the Taylor County Expo Center, 1700 Highway 36. Admission is free to spectators.

Gun and knife show

The Texas Gun & Knife Show will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Abilene Civic Center, 1100 N. Sixth St.

Car show

The Rev M Up for Romania benefit car show will begin at 8 a.m. Saturday at Elmcrest Baptist Church, 517 N. Pioneer 8-11:30 a.m. Vehicle 1 Proceeds will go town

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Exercise classes

Classes featuring l bics will be presented 5:30-6:30 p.m. Mondays through June 29 in Roo Physical Education Centuresity. Admission is \$3 for all sessions. For more jmcmurray@mcm.edu.